## COVID-19 UPDATES & INFORMATION \*\*

**Special Notice to Dublin Businesses**May 18, 2020

## Alameda County Health Officer Issues New Orders Allowing Additional Restricted Business Operations

The Alameda County Health Officer has issued new orders today, allowing some additional businesses to resume operations on a limited scale, and permitting highly regulated vehicle-based gatherings.

Given that new cases of COVID-19 have been stable or decreasing, allowing for sufficient capacity in local hospitals, and daily testing for the virus has increased each day, Bay Area health officers issued a joint statement, allowing for retail establishments to begin storefront pick-up; and enabling manufacturing, warehousing, and logistical operations that support retail businesses to also resume. All businesses in operation must follow social distancing and public health guidance to protect its employees and customers. Businesses must continue to enforce physical distancing which includes:

- Continuing teleworking for those employees who can do so.
- Staggering employee breaks.
- Training employees on proper methods to limit the spread of COVID-19.
- Establishing disinfection protocols for routine and deep cleaning of businesses.
- The wearing of protective face coverings and maintaining a distance of six feet from other employees.

These orders do not include the opening of office workplaces, malls, or restaurants (other than for take-out dining).

A list of businesses allowed and not yet allowed to operate with restrictions in Alameda County can be found online.

For authorized businesses, Alameda County plans to align with the State's Guidance for Industries where possible. <u>Appendix C-1 of the Health Order</u> details the general requirements for businesses permitted to operate and the County will provide additional guidance and updated FAQs as needed. The Statewide guidance for industries are detailed on the <u>Industry</u> Guidance webpage.

**All permitted open businesses must implement Site Specific Protection Plans** to include the following elements:

- Physical distancing plans for employees and customers.
- Administrative controls to stagger employees, breaks, and teleworking for those that can work remotely.

- Training for employees on limiting spread of COVID-19 (temperature and/or symptoms screening, hand washing technique, and face covering requirements).
- Disinfection protocols for routine and deep cleaning.
- Industry-specific best practices.
- Notification of COVID-19 positive cases.
- Compliance and documentation.

The County encourages all businesses to continue remote working options and enhanced safety accommodations for employees who may be at high risk for complications from COVID-19. In addition to the State's guidance, the CDC's <u>webpage</u> for Worker Safety and Support also includes helpful resources.

Read the full text of Health Order 20-11 (PDF)

Read the <u>Press Release</u> (PDF)

Read the Summary of Health Order on the County's **Business COVID Recovery webpage** 

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In addition to the COVID-19 <u>Business Impacts webpage</u>, we have compiled a COVID-19 <u>Business Resource Guide</u> (PDF updated 5/12/2020). Be sure to also visit the City's <u>COVID-19 webpage</u> with up-to-date information and resources about the pandemic.

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